

MASS INTENTIONS	
Tuesday March 19 8:00am	Russell Sauvé ~ the family Souls in purgatory ~ a parishioner Mariam Kolenchery ~ Robert & Madeleine Labbe
Wednesday March 20 8:00am	Doug Denomey ~ Jeff & Edna St. Pierre Special intention ~ Mike Lanoue Joe King ~ Lori & Beth Jeffrey
Thursday March 21 8:00am	Richard Hargreaves ~ Nancy Hargreaves Margaret Diesbourg ~ Louise Lair Mary Sauvé ~ Marie Sauvé
Thursday March 21 10:00am	CHAPEL AT SEASON'S LAKESHORE Dolly Marcus ~ Vivian Shaw & Anita Vandewater Jackie Mojeske ~ Len & Mary Ellen Collins Mariam Kolenchery ~ Pat & Patti Lanoue
Friday March 22 9:30am	Theresa(34yrs) & Lawrence(22yrs) Grondin ~ the family St. Joseph; those dying & in purgatory ~ parishioners Israel Mailloux ~ Frank & Del Lipischak
Saturday March 23 9:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ parishioners Real Levesque ~ Rosaire & Martine Bourgoin Dan Brazil ~ Debbie & Mark

CONNECT 2019

Join us for Connect 2019! Formerly known as GR8Fest, this event will gather Grade 7 & 8 Students from across the Diocese to come together to share a day of fun, games, prayer and community. Students will participate in team building games, faith formation, and an incredible presentation by APeX Ministries. We will have 2 locations and dates to choose from: Connect East is on April 29 in Stratford; and Connect West is October 23 in Windsor. Visit dol.ca/connect2019 for more information.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - NOTICE OF MOTION

 The Belle River Knights of Columbus, council 2775, propose to make the following donation, at their April 3, 2019 General Meeting, at 7:00pm, to support the Northern Bridge Community Partnership Program that works with Indigenous & Non-Indigenous people & groups connecting partners to nurture healing, empower youth & foster healing: NORTHERN BRIDGE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP \$1,000.00 The K of C needs more members as our population ages. Please consider joining us. For more info, please contact the K of C office and leave a message at 519-728-2828.

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY MARCH 19

- Prayer gathering, every Tuesday 7:15pm

WEDNESDAY MARCH 20

- Staff Meeting, 10:30am
- Youth Group 3:30pm to 5pm
- Soup & Stations, 6pm, Hall & 6:45pm, Church

THURSDAY MARCH 21

- SJB Stations of the Cross, 1pm
- Bingo every Thursday, 6pm, Hall
- Choir Practice 7pm, Church

SATURDAY & SUNDAY MARCH 23 & 24

- First Communion Mass meeting #2, 4:30pm & 11am Mass

SUNDAY MORNING ROSARY

Every Sunday starting at 8:15am. Join us 

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

THE SPRING CAMPAIGN

You're invited to join other Christians

for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Windsor Regional Hospital, Metropolitan Campus, during the vigil hours between 7 am to 7 pm each day.

Mid-point Rally - Sunday, March 24th, @ 2pm

Closing Rally - Sunday, April 14th, @ 2 pm

Pray to end abortion!

To register call Laurie Eberhardt

at 519-300-6792 or visit our website:

40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/windsor

ST. SIMON & ST. JUDE PARISH

OFFICE HOURS

TUESDAY – FRIDAY 9 AM - 3 PM
CLOSED BETWEEN 12 PM & 1 PM

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 4:30 PM

SUNDAY 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY 8:00 AM

FRIDAY 9:30 AM & SATURDAY 9:00 AM

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY 9:30 AM TO 10:30 AM

The Second Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2019

MISSION STATEMENT

ST. SIMON & ST. JUDE IS A VIBRANT, LIFE-GIVING, CHRIST-CENTERED PARISH COMMUNITY THAT IS GENEROUSLY AVAILABLE AND CHALLENGING IN THE TRUEST SENSE OF THE GOSPEL MESSAGE.

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION

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FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. ANTONY

My Dearest Parishioners in Jesus Christ,

A doctor once said to his patient, "You will pull through, but you are a very sick man." The patient replied, "Please, doctor, do everything you can for me. If I get well, I will donate thirty thousand pounds to the fund for the new hospital."

Several months later, when the patient was completely well, the doctor reminded him: "You said that if you got well, you would donate thirty thousand pounds". The former patient replied, "If I said that, then I really must have been sick!".

Promises made in storms are often forgotten in calms, even if it was a good mouth-filling promise. Don't we find examples of this in our own life? Yes, you and I, in very difficult moments, make many promises to God. But when we are out of the trouble, when we experience peace and calm again, we easily tend to forget our promises.

What about God's promises? Are they like human promises? No, not at all. God's promises are not like ours. He made a promise to Abraham that he would have many descendants and possess a land of plenty and He did fulfil it. Ordinarily the weaker partner in a contract has to accept more obligations than the stronger one. But in the covenant with Abraham, it was God who bore the brunt of the obligations, promising unconditional faithfulness. Faithfulness even in the face of our gross unfaithfulness.

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INFORMATION ON THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

Please call the office to register and make an appointment with our Pastoral Minister - Sue Hofgartner

ANointing OF THE SICK

This is primarily a sacrament of physical healing and spiritual strengthening. The sacrament is administered to those facing serious surgery or illness. If you desire this sacrament please call Fr. Antony. We offer a communal Anointing Service in the Spring and Fall.

MARRIAGE

Couples desiring to marry please call the office and contact Fr. Antony. Arrangements must be made at least nine months prior to the wedding.

WE THANK THE FOLLOWING FOR GENEROUSLY SUPPORTING OUR BULLETIN:

Floor Coverings International 519-735-5515

Hallmark Memorial - Hwy #3, Walker Rd 519-737-6158

Strong's Appliance Service Ltd. 519-728-2334

Melady Funeral Home by Arbor Memorial www.meladyfuneral.ca

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FROM FR. ANTONY (continued)

Abraham had an earnest desire for something more precious than the comfort and security of his family life. Or else, he would have remained there when the Lord called him out. He opened his heart to the word of God and took it seriously. He was daring enough to be ready to sacrifice even his own son, to be faithful to God. God rewarded him with an ever-vibrant faith and enabled him to experience His power and glory in the various events of his daily life. Moreover, he had a glimpse of the world beyond.

The transfiguration of Jesus has a message of great significance. It reveals the real meaning of Jesus' life as well as that of our own life. Here on earth, Jesus lived an extraordinarily simple, humble life. But, in reality, His life was the divine event toward which all creation had been moving and in which God was acting for the salvation of the world. Peter, James and John were given a glimpse of that reality. The real meaning of our lives here on earth is evident in the words of St. Paul when he says: "Our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the Saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and He will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of His glorious body."

At the same time, St. Paul also gives a severe warning to those who worship mammon, riches and power. He categorically states that such people are enemies of the Cross of Christ, destined to be lost. How can such people perceive the power and glory of God in their lives and look for the things of heaven when their hearts and minds are full of worldly things?

With kindest regards,
Fr. Antony Kolenchery

FROM OUR PASTORAL MINISTER, SUE HOFGARTNER

Dear Parishioners,

What is peace? Consider a few possible thoughts:

- tranquility of the soul
- the absence of agitation
- harmony within
- a quiet heart, and a quiet goodness
- a calm, untroubled heart, regardless of external circumstances

There is something so different about a person at deep peace that others can see, take notice and often comment about. When we are at peace, even our appearance is changed. It may be revealed on our face, in our behaviour, our speech, or the activities we engage in. We may notice a gentleness and strong compassion for others. Peace transforms us and begins to transform those around us too.

Seek peace and pursue it. Peace begins by being peace ourselves, by connecting with the source of peace within. Inner peace is a grace.

When Jesus appeared before Pilate, He was so calm, so serene, so controlled, and so at peace, that Pilate became greatly disturbed. Jesus stood before him fearless. Jesus is sometimes referred to the Prince of Peace. Jesus said "Blessed are the peacemakers," Jesus also said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." Notice he says "my peace." It is His own personal peace that He gives to each one of us.

Sin destroys our sense of peace. The lack of peace in our world is a sure sign of the presence of sin. Sin distances us from the ultimate source of peace. When we succumb to sin we are not at peace with God, others, or ourselves. Some people seek peace through alcohol, drugs, or other forms of escape and distraction. Apart from God, there is no real peace in this world.

Peace is a gift from Jesus. The Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, and the life of Jesus help us know how to live in God's peace and in peace with one another. True peace affects our physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual being. It flows from the reality of God's constant love for us. Those at peace are confident that they are walking with Christ. When a person is at peace, they have a calm, inner stability and they conduct themselves peacefully, even in the midst of circumstances that would normally be very stressful, traumatic, or upsetting. A person who is filled with peace is whole, complete, orderly, stable and a blessing.

Peace be with you!

Sincerely, Sue

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



We are inviting all members to the Windsor Light Music production of "Hairspray", a Broadway musical at Chrysler Theatre, Windsor, on Sunday, May 5th. Come out and join your sisters for an afternoon of laughter, romance and delightful songs. Help us fill the bus! Total cost is \$40.00.

If interested, please call Lee Levergood at 519-728-3992.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CHURCH
Day of Reflection with Sister Linda Parent

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD

starting with mass at 9:30 a.m.

\$5 at the door of Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall – includes lunch

Please call Brigitte McFadden

at 519-948-5466 for a reservation

by Sunday, March 31st.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

DAY OF CONFESSIONS

This year's diocesan Day of Confessions is planned for **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10**. This special opportunity helps us to set aside our old ways, to be renewed in heart and soul, and to be reconciled with our merciful and loving God. As Pope Francis reminds us, confession is where we encounter Jesus.

Confession times in our parish are:
8:30am to 10:30am ~ 2:00pm to 4:00pm ~ 7:30pm to 8:30pm.

Our diocesan website (www.dol.ca) offers some excellent resources and information about Lent and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

SOUP AND STATIONS



Join us every Wednesday during Lent for

Soup at 6:00 pm in the hall followed by the

Stations of the Cross at 6:45pm in the church.

March 20th Host:

St. Vincent de Paul Society

PARISH NURSING MINISTRY CONFERENCE

The Canadian Association for Parish Nursing Ministry (CAPNM) conference is in London this May. As part of the conference, an information session will be held on Friday afternoon from 1 to 5 pm open to all nurses, health care providers, faith leaders, and anyone who is interested in faith community health. Topics will include: music in care settings featuring Bev Foster from "Room 217," learning how your church can benefit from a health ministry, and resources from the Henri Nouwen Society for supporting family caregivers. Registration is due by May 20. For more information and registration details please visit the CAPNM website at http://capnm.ca/AGM_2019.htm. A \$40 fee covers conference materials and refreshments.

LAKESHORE BLOOD DONOR CENTRE

MONDAY, MARCH 18 FROM 2:00 PM UNTIL 7:00 PM

St. Simon & St. Jude Parish Hall, Belle River

New Donors & Walk Ins Welcome!

The need for blood is constant, which is why donations at this time of year are so vitally important for patients. Canadian Blood Services is encouraging eligible donors to give blood.

For more info visit: blood.ca or call **1 888 2 DONATE**

SHARE THE JOURNEY ~ DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE



This backpack symbolizes the precarious situation of the forced migrants. When they flee their homes, they must leave everything behind. Stripped of their belongings and their dignity, they leave in search of a safe place to live. And this backpack represents all their worldly goods.

In 1990, the Nigerian police force sent members of its elite combat unit to a small village. The villagers were demonstrating peacefully to claim its' share of profits generated by an oil company, after 30 years of oil exploration on their lands. More than 300 were killed in two days and their homes were set on fire. Following these traumatic events almost all survivors fled.

"May you go with God, may you walk with God, may you pass the night with God, and may you remain always with God."

An African Blessing

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 17 ~ Rev. Anthony Eboh

March 18 ~ Rev. Stephen Savel

March 19 ~ Solemnity of St. Joseph
Sisters of St. Joseph

March 20 ~ Ministers to Migrant Workers in the Diocese of London

March 21 ~ Deacon James Panchaud

March 22 ~ Rev. Murray Sample

March 23 ~ Deacon Brad Lewis

PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK

DIANE REAUME	MIKE LANOUE	BETTY & GERRY ALEXANDER
LISA BOND	JULIETTE RIVEST	ANGELA RICE
MADELEINE DUPUIS	HANY YOOSOF	LOIS & CLARENCE JANISSE
ALICIA DAVEY	PAT BOWSHER	DALE SIMMONS
JIM LIGHT	PAT BUTLER	LUELLA LEBOEUF
MARI SCHROEDER	CECILE STRONG	MARY LOU BOMBARDIER
DIANE LAUZON	BETTY & DON SIGRIST	KAY CAZA
A.J. LALIBERTE	MIKE PRESTON	LUCILLE TELLIER
MADALAYNA DUCHARME	JULIA GAGNON	KENNY GAGNIER
RENE TELLIER	KEVIN DUCHARME	
CARMEL LETTENBICHLER	PAUL DUCHARME	

PLEASE INFORM THE OFFICE TO HAVE SOMEONE'S NAME ADDED OR REMOVED

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES,
PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS,
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE AND MAY THE LORD SEND
COMFORT AND CONSOLATION TO THEIR FAMILIES.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

MARCH 10, 2019

Regular	4,230.55
Regular - Direct Deposit	445.00
Loonie & Toonie	237.30
Restoration Fund	265.00
Restoration - Direct Deposit	88.00
Ash Wednesday	808.00
Total	6,073.85

Thank you, your generosity is greatly appreciated!